



Tennessee Crop Weather

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For the Week Ending October 25, 2015

FALL HARVEST HALTED BY RAIN

Harvest of corn, cotton, and soybeans mostly ceased over most of the State last week due to incessant rain. Producers did, however, make excellent progress on the days they could get into the fields. Harvest is expected to come to an end over the next few weeks if dry conditions return and prevail. The rain was advantageous to pastures, which were beginning to dry, as well as seeded wheat. There were only 2.3 days suitable for field work last week. Topsoil moisture was 10 percent short, 73 percent adequate, and 17 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture levels were 3 percent very short, 22 percent short, 67 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus.

CROP PROGRESS					CONDITION					
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2014	Five Year Avg.	Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Percent					Percent					
Corn – Harvested for Grain	97	96	96	96	Cotton	0	2	20	52	26
Cotton – Harvested	60	49	50	65	Pasture	1	10	35	50	4
Soybeans – Harvested	76	69	60	69	Cattle	0	2	17	68	13
Winter Wheat - Planted	61	54	58	56	Wheat	0	3	34	52	11
Winter Wheat – Emerged	41	24	29	26						

County Agent Comments

The end of harvest is in sight. Received some much needed rain this week for wheat planting and for wheat already planted. Harvesting and wheat planting will continue as drier conditions prevail. The 2015 crop season will soon come to a close.

Tim Campbell, Dyer County

The farmers in Fayette County were not able to harvest crops or plant wheat this week due to rains that came through earlier in the week. This gave many the time to work on equipment and get ready for more harvest and planting once it dries. More rain is expected this Saturday afternoon. Harvest and planting should pick up the middle to end of next week.

Jeff Via, Fayette County

Much needed rainfall started late on October 23 and stopped on October 28. Precipitation amounts of 3 to 4 inches were common across the county. Rainfall intensity was very slow and gentle resulting in minor erosion on upland soils. Soybean harvest was halted but will resume with a few days of wind and sunshine. Soybean harvest is within one week of completion in the county.

Jeff Lannom, Weakley County

Giles County got about 3 inches of needed rain last week. Field activities were halted.

Kevin Rose, Giles County

Much needed rain fell this week. Lots of farmers had over-seeded pastures and hay fields and needed the rain for the young grass.

Jason Evitts, Trousdale County

We had from 1 to 2 inches of rain this week. This will help pastures because we were really dry. It slowed down harvest and we are about ready to plant wheat.

Larry Moorehead, Moore County

Some row crop harvest early in the week but rain mid to later week stalled that work. Cool season pastures are looking good. Some folks seeding some cool season annuals.

A. Ruth Correll, Wilson County

A week of showers kept field activities at a standstill! Showers throughout the week produced from an inch to 1.3 inches for the week. Producers need a dry 7 - 10 days to finish up soybean and cotton harvest and wheat planting. Warm season pastures have stopped producing and a few producers are beginning to feed hay. Cool season pastures are in excellent shape.

Ed Burns, Franklin County

Rain all week has prevented any field work.

John Goddard, Loudon County

Corn harvest is nearing completion with soybean harvest seeing a good week. Fall planted forages took advantage of mild temperatures and moisture this week.

John Wilson, Blount County

TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION

For week ending: October 25, 2015 (with comparisons)

LOCATION	TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION					
	Week Ending October 25, 2015				Current Week 10/25/15	Rain Days	Current Since January 1	Departure From Normal January 1	Current Since April 1	Departure From Normal April 1
	HI	LO	AVG	DFN						
West										
Ames_Plantation	83	36	63	5	0.55	2	44.10	-0.57	31.06	1.17
Bolivar_Wtr_Wks	82	33	60	4	0.05	1	50.89	7.30	39.13	9.90
Brownsville	81	37	62	4	0.19	2	41.50	-0.34	29.34	1.45
Covington_3SW	80	35	61	3	0.68	2	39.35	-2.31	26.04	-1.73
Dresden	80	38	60	4	0.54	1	39.78	-4.15	27.54	-2.73
Dyersburg_AP	81	37	63	3	0.46	2	33.25	-6.32	22.24	-4.66
Henderson_4W	81	31	58	-1	0.20	2	44.68	1.03	32.21	2.44
Huntingdon_Wate	82	33	60	7	0.13	2	40.79	-2.86	29.14	-0.33
Jackson_Exp_Stn	82	35	61	4	0.10	2	40.50	-3.15	29.19	-0.58
Lexington_Ag	82	33	59	2	0.04	1	43.05	1.98	30.93	3.20
Memphis_WFO	83	38	62	4	0.35	2	35.87	-5.34	23.21	-4.51
Milan_Exp_Stn	82	31	61	6	0.23	2	44.70	1.54	33.39	4.01
Paris_2SE	81	32	58	3	0.33	2	35.36	-7.69	24.26	-4.85
Selmer	83	33	60	4	0.11	2	40.99	-4.24	26.96	-2.95
Union_City_AP	81	34	60	5	0.33	1	39.57	-1.45	27.07	-1.25
Middle										
Bethpage_1S	80	31	56	-1	0.00	0	40.00	-2.76	27.34	-1.50
Carthage	81	33	59	3	0.18	2	41.29	-1.78	28.63	-0.31
Centerville_4NE	79	30	57	1	0.02	1	41.97	-1.22	29.65	0.77
Cheatham_L_D	83	32	59	5	0.05	1	37.31	-4.30	26.28	-1.64
Clarksville_AP	81	32	61	6	0.50	1	38.42	-2.92	26.61	-1.02
Coalmont	78	33	56	1	0.07	1	50.84	-0.21	33.74	0.65
Columbia_3WNW	79	31	56	1	0.09	2	43.58	-1.49	31.63	1.82
Cookeville	79	32	56	2	0.00	0	49.52	3.04	36.08	5.22
Crossville_AP	76	35	58	5	0.00	0	51.51	5.56	37.43	7.03
Dover_1W	81	34	59	4	0.62	1	47.19	4.51	33.45	4.94
Fayetteville_Wt	81	31	61	5	0.21	2	45.70	0.99	27.86	-0.57
Hohenwald	79	30	59	3	0.08	1	41.95	-4.53	29.05	-1.68
Jamestown	77	30	55	2	0.05	1	50.39	4.99	37.34	6.39
Kingston_Spring	82	30	58	4	0.16	1	38.55	-3.16	26.07	-1.86
Lobelville	82	30	58	3	0.00	0	44.29	-1.22	31.94	1.69
Monteagle	79	32	56	1	0.00	0	58.91	7.86	42.78	9.69
Murfreesboro_5N	80	30	58	3	0.16	3	48.95	4.71	36.33	6.48
Nashville_Metro	82	34	62	5	0.03	2	38.80	0.32	27.73	1.78
Shelbyville_Wtr	81	32	60	4	0.01	1	44.45	-1.16	31.07	1.02
Sparta_WWTP	80	31	57	-1	0.06	2	51.24	6.13	38.27	8.70
Springfield_Exp	83	32	58	4	0.23	1	38.49	-2.64	27.24	-0.77
Tennessee_Ridge	81	34	58	4	0.40	1	43.71	-1.33	32.49	2.31
Thompson_Statio	80	33	60	4	0.09	1	42.19	-2.83	29.92	0.64
Wartrace_6E	75	37	57	2	0.09	2	49.61	1.84	35.29	4.62
Waynesboro_Ag	81	32	59	4	0.12	1	47.48	-0.56	32.80	1.01
East										
Athens	78	35	56	0	0.00	0	55.74	8.43	42.07	12.08
Chattanooga_Lov	79	38	60	3	0.00	0	48.22	4.10	37.04	9.36
Gatlinburg_2SW	72	30	51	-3	0.01	1	40.37	-7.74	28.42	-5.00
Greeneville_Exp	78	28	52	2	0.00	0	35.45	-1.93	26.18	0.12
Kingston_Ag	75	35	56	2	0.03	1	52.13	3.56	39.15	7.35
Knoxville_AP	77	35	57	1	0.00	0	35.56	-3.61	23.90	-1.52
Lenior_City	76	35	56	-2	0.00	0	45.01	2.23	32.14	4.85
Morristown_Radi	76	31	55	0	0.00	0	43.88	5.89	33.00	7.80
Oak_Ridge	77	36	58	3	0.02	1	42.08	-2.02	29.57	0.82
Roan_Mtn_2SE	80	24	50	3	0.00	0	40.62	-1.38	32.13	3.04
Rogersville_1NE	78	29	54	-2	0.06	1	43.12	6.53	31.71	6.91
Townsend_5S	72	29	51	-3	0.00	0	48.16	0.05	34.50	1.08
Tri-City_RGNL_A	79	28	55	3	0.00	0	34.95	0.56	25.62	2.06

DFN = Departure from Normal (Using 1971-2000 Normals Period). Rain Days = Days with precip of 0.01 inch or more during the week. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) measured in inches.